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YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
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ACCOUNTABILITY OF SPORTS FEDERATIONS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the financial autonomy of various sports federations in the country;

(b) whether these federations file income tax returns;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the manner in which the Government ensure their accountability?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DR. M.S. GILL)
(a) The National Sports Federations (NSFs) are required to submit audited statement of accounts alongwith a report on the utilization of funds and outcome.

(b) to (d): The Ministry does not maintain a record of Income tax returns filed by NSFs.

(e) The Government releases only 75% of the admissible grant as advance to the federations and the balance is released only after receipt of a statement of actual expenditure certified by a practicing Chartered Accountant on the utilization of funds for the purpose for which it was sanctioned. The accounts of Association/federations are also liable to be scrutinized by the Ministry and audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.